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Harper Lee has agreed for To Kill a Mockingbird to be made available as an [ebook and digital audiobook](#), filling one of the biggest gaps in the digital library.

In a rare public statement released through her publisher, HarperCollins, Lee said: "I'm still old-fashioned. I love dusty old books and libraries. I am amazed and humbled that Mockingbird has survived this long. This is Mockingbird for a new generation."

The announcement came almost a year after she sued her former literary agent Samuel Pinkus to regain rights to her novel. Lee claimed she had been duped into signing over the [copyright](#).

The lawsuit was settled in September. Lee's attorney, Gloria Phares, said at the time that the case had been resolved to the author's satisfaction, with "her copyright secured to her".

The Pulitzer prize-winning novel will be released digitally on 8 July.

With digital holdouts from JK Rowling to Ray Bradbury changing their minds over the past few years, Lee's novel had ranked with JD Salinger's *Catcher in the Rye* as a missing prize for ebook readers.

First published in July 1960, *Mockingbird* has sold more than 30m copies worldwide, and that total is climbing by more than 1m copies a year, according to HarperCollins.

It was adapted into a 1962 movie of the same name that featured an Oscar-winning performance by Gregory Peck as Atticus Finch, the courageous Alabama attorney who defends a black man against charges that he raped a white woman.

The audiobook will be a [downloadable edition](#) of the existing CD narrated by Sissy Spacek. HarperCollins is also releasing an "enhanced" ebook that will feature additional material. Spokeswoman Tina Andreadis said the extra features had not yet been determined.

Other works still unavailable as ebooks include The Autobiography of Malcolm X and Gabriel García Márquez's One Hundred Years of Solitude.